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Citizenship: India (G-4 Visa)

EDUCATION

2005 - 2009 Ph.D., Economics, Southern Methodist University, USA
Dissertation : "Essays on The Wage Structure in India"
1999 - 2001 MA, Economics, Delhi School of Economics, India
1996 - 1999 BA (H) Economics, University of Delhi, India

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

July 2009 - present Extended Term Consultant, The World Bank, Washington DC
Human Development - Economics, Eastern Europe and Central Asia Unit

AFFILIATIONS

Jan 2009 - present Research Affiliate, **IZA** (Institute for the Study of Labor), Germany

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics, Labor Economics, Applied Econometrics, Economics of Education

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor, Department of Economics, SMU, Summer, 2008
Undergraduate: Principles of Microeconomics

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, SMU, 2005 - 2009
Ph.D Level: Econometrics, Mathematical Statistics, Applied Econometrics, Labor Economics
Master Level: Introductory Econometrics
Undergraduate: Principles of Microeconomics, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Game Theory

Lecturer, University of Delhi, 2001 - 2004
Undergraduate: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Consultant (STC), The World Bank, Washington, DC

May - June, 2009: Human Development - Economics, Eastern Europe and Central Asia Unit

March - May, 2008: Development Economics Research Group (DECRG)

Summer, 2006: South Asia Human Development Unit

Winter, 2005: South Asia Human Development Unit

Consultant (STC), The World Bank, Delhi

2002 - 2005: South Asia Human Development Unit

Summer, 2007: South Asia Human Development Unit

Consultant, International Food Policy Research Institute, Delhi

2004 - 2005: Poverty, Health, and Nutrition Unit

Consultant, Government of India Committee for preparation of a report on the social, economic and educational status of the Muslim community of India (*The Committee was appointed by Prime Minister of India Dr. Manmohan Singh, and is popularly known as "Sachar Committee". The Report was tabled in Parliament of India in Nov, 2006.*)

2005-2006

Research Associate, National Council of Applied Economics Research (NCAER), Delhi

May-Oct, 2001: Human Development Unit

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- [1] A Distributional Analysis of Social Group Inequality in Rural India, *Journal of International Development, forthcoming*
- [2] Progress of Participation in Tertiary Education in India During Last Two Decades, with Andreas Blom, *World Bank Policy Research Working Paper #4793, Journal of Educational Planning and Administration, forthcoming*

PAPERS UNDER REVISION

- [1] India's Rising Skill Premium: Role of Demand and Supply, revised and resubmitted *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy*

CHAPTER IN EDITED VOLUME

- [1] Girls in India: Poverty, Location, and Social Disparities, with Kin Bing Wu, Pete Goldschmidt, and Christy Kim Boscardin, in M. Lewis and M. Lockheed (eds.), *Exclusion, Gender and Education: Case Studies from the Developing World, 2006, Center for Global Development, Washington, DC*

IN SUBMISSION

- [1] Changes in Wage Structure in Urban India 1983-2004: A Quantile Regression Decomposition, IZA Discussion Paper, #3963
- [2] Income Inequality in Rural India: Decomposing the Gini by Income Sources, with Abusaleh Shariff (*IFPRI*)
- [3] Examining Equality between Public- and Private-Sector Wage Distributions in India, with Nishith Prakash (*Dartmouth College*)

WORKING PAPERS

- [1] The Returns to English-Language Skills in India, with Aimee Chin (*U of Houston*) and Nishith Prakash (*Dartmouth College*)
- [2] Income Mobility in Rural India during 1990s: Evidence from Panel Data, with Abusaleh Shariff (*IFPRI*) and Tauhidur Rahman (*U of Arizona*)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- [1] Education Expenditure Bias in India: A Revisit, with Geeta Kingdon (*U of London*)
- [2] Wage Inequality in Urban India

REPORTS

- [1] Economic Empowerment of Muslims in India, with Abusaleh Shariff, Institute of Objective Studies, 2004, New Delhi. *The Report was released in Delhi by Late Mr. V.P. Singh (Former Prime Minister of India)*
- [2] Food Aid Transition in India's Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Program in Care Supported Areas, with Akhter U Ahmed, Michelle Adato, Shahidur Rashid, Ch Srinivas, Josephine Mooij, Prabir Ghosh, Kavary Ganguly, and Terence Roopnaraine, 2005. *Submitted to the Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance (FANTA) and Academy for Educational Development (AED), by the International Food Policy Research Institute*

POLICY NOTES

- [1] The Employment and Welfare Impact of the Financial Crisis in Latvia, with Mohamed Ihsan Ajwad (*World Bank*) and Francisco Haimovich (*IADB*), Mimeo, Europe and Central Asia Human Development Group, World Bank, Washington, DC
- [2] Simulated Impacts of Economic Crisis in Romania, Mimeo, Europe and Central Asia Human Development Group, World Bank, Washington, DC

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- [1] Southern Methodist University, March 2008
- [2] Southern Methodist University, October 2008

CONFERENCES

- [1] Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC, Nov 2008
- [2] Northeastern Universities Development Consortium Conference (NEUDC), Boston, November 2008

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Economic Association
Southern Economic Association

LANGUAGES AND COMPUTER SKILLS

English (Fluent) , Hindi (Native)
Proficient in STATA, R, S-PLUS (Finmetrics), SPSS, EVIEWS, Scientific Workplace, MS-Office
Working knowledge of SAS, MATLAB

FELLOWSHIPS

Full Tuition Fellowship, Southern Methodist University, 2005-09
Teaching Assistantship, Southern Methodist University, 2005-09

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